

Appl. No.: 10/591,006
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Reply to Office Action of: January 10, 2008

PATENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-6 are pending in this application. Claims 7-11, directed to non-elected species have been cancelled.

In the Office Action mailed January 10, 2008, the Examiner requested election of one of the following patentable distinct species:

Embodiment 1 shown in Figures 1-4,

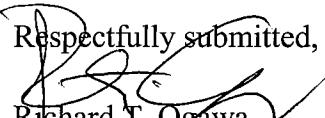
Embodiment 2 shown in Figures 7-10, and

Embodiment 3 shown in Figures 11-13.

In the event that no generic claim is finally held to be allowable, the Examiner has requested that Applicants elect disclosed species for prosecution on the merits. Specifically, the Examiner has requested that a species be selected from embodiments 1, 2, or 3 listed in the office action mailed January 10, 2008.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants have elected Embodiment 1 corresponding to Figures 1-4 without traverse. Applicants submit that claims 1-6 are readable upon this species. Non-elected claims 7-11 are canceled without prejudice to filing of divisional applications directed thereto.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.


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